

In our Chicago Suburbs, a large sting operation targeted three men who were using “peer-to-peer” chat rooms to transmit pornographic images and abusive actions with child victims. We need to pay more attention to the online criminal community and the risk they pose to children. Myspace.com has become a popular website for children and young adults to post information about themselves, and their families, with little to no responsible censure. We recently passed the Child Safety Act which provides additional tools to law enforcement to track and prosecute sexual predators. I am working with my colleagues to target online child predators and empower parents to track their children’s activities.